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With reference to your letter No. 221(1) dated 3 Nov. 2004, below please find the suggestions of the Statistical Centre of Iran (SCI) regarding clarification of the SNA 93:

- From the last sentence of the Paragraph 6.92, it is inferred that the sale price of commodities and services, which are not economical, is added to the output of government units. However, conceptually speaking, it is not the case and preferably it should be defined in a manner to prevent ambiguity
- In the SNA 93 there is no reference to the type of activity of investment companies and the method of calculating their outputs. Explanation of the issue in the “SNA update” is recommended.
- In SNA 93, it is not clarified whether or not the lent books of a library are considered as fixed asset. If it is the case, under which group of the fixed assets are they classified? Consideration of this issue in the SNA revision is recommended.
- It should be clarified that the statistical unit for “general government” means the same as statistical unit of other industries i.e. “institutional unit”
- There is ambiguity in definition of “valuables” and it is not clear whether gold coins are considered valuable commodity or money. Clarification of the matter in the SNA revision is recommended.
- The Chapter on price and volume measures contains many ambiguities.
- The boundary between household and non-financial corporations is vague and unclear. For instance, it is not clear whether a grocery, which has no worker and official account, is considered under household category or non-financial corporation. It is the case for a physician or a lawyer. Clarification of the issue in the SNA revision is required.